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LETTER OF INTENT

This Letter of Intent (LOI), between the State of California, Department of Transportation (Caltrans) and the State of Arizona, Department of Transportation (ADOT), outlines the general areas of responsibility for various project development activities for the proposed replacement of the Colorado River Bridge (Br. No. 54-1000) on State Route 62 (SR-62) in San Bernardino County, California and La Paz County, Arizona. This LOI also includes the realignment of the segment of roadway from K.P. 229.078 to K.P. 229.988 (PM 142.373 to PM 142.938) within the two states. It constitutes solely a guide to the intentions and policies of the parties involved. It is not intended to authorize funding or project effort, nor is it a legally binding contract. Funding commitments providing for the deposit of funds or specific work phases or project effort committing machine or personnel time will be covered by one or more separate cooperative agreements to be initiated by Caltrans after approval of the Project Report.

This LOI covers project development activities through approval of a Project Report (PR) and an Environmental Document (ED) in order to initiate the programming and commitment of resources for design and construction.

GENERAL

- Caltrans and ADOT will work closely together in every aspect toward completing Federal and State environmental clearance and design and construction of the project.
- Caltrans will be the leading agency in the design and construction of the proposed facility.
- Caltrans and ADOT will nominate their share of the project cost for programming, once the environmental issues have been identified and a detailed schedule has been established. The tentative schedule is for construction to commence early 2003.
- Responsibility for anticipated project development activities is detailed below.

PROJECT DEVELOPMENT

- A Project Development Team (PDT) shall be established. The PDT shall be chaired by a Caltrans Project Manager. The PDT will call on staff support as required. The PDT will be responsible for timely review and action by all parties.
- Caltrans will perform air, noise and hazardous material studies, at no cost to ADOT, for both states.
- Caltrans will perform cultural resources survey, at no cost to ADOT, for both states, and obtain concurrence from Arizona State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO) and California SHPO.


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- Caltrans will process and obtain Section 10(404) permit for the project, at no cost to ADOT.
- Caltrans will initiate and process Section 7, Endangered Species consultation for the project, at no cost to Arizona.
- Caltrans will prepare the Right-of-Way (R/W) data sheets and utilities search within California.
- Caltrans will incorporate R/W data sheets, utilities search and cost estimates provided by ADOT, into the PR and ED.
- Caltrans will prepare the PR and ED, at no cost to ADOT, incorporating ADOT's input into the said documents.
- Caltrans will obtain concurrence and approve PR and ED for the project.
- Caltrans will list the project in the Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP).
- Caltrans will prepare plans, specifications and estimates (PS&E), advertise, approve and administer the construction of the project under separate Intergovernmental Agreements between Caltrans and ADOT.
- Caltrans will fund the mitigation and R/W acquisition within the State of California.
- Caltrans will fund fifty percent (50%) of the cost of design and construction engineering of the project.
- Caltrans will fund fifty percent (50%) of the cost of construction of the bridge.
- Caltrans will fund the entire cost of construction of the roadway improvement within California.
- ADOT will prepare R/W data sheets and utilities search and develop cost estimates for these issues for incorporation in the PR and ED.
- ADOT will review the PR, ED and PS&E at thirty, sixty and ninety percent (30%, 60% and 90%) level of completion and provide timely comments.
- ADOT will assign staff to attend and be member of the PDT.
- ADOT will concur on the final PR, ED and PS&E documents approval, by an official letter.
- ADOT will be the point of contact for tribal property acquisition.

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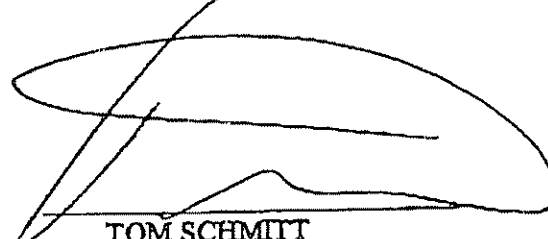
- ADOT will fund the cost of mitigation and R/W acquisition within the State of Arizona.
- ADOT will fund fifty percent (50%) of the cost of design and construction engineering of the project.
- ADOT will fund fifty percent (50%) of the cost of construction of the bridge.
- ADOT will fund the entire cost of construction of roadway improvement within Arizona.

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